

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 26, with the following amended paragraph:

Anchor text (*e.g.*, word(s), phrase(s), sentence(s) and/or paragraph(s)) preceding and/or following a link can provide descriptive information which can be helpful in determining content of the linked document. Thus, for an Internet search engine to provide the best possible results, it should index not only the words contained within Internet document(s), but also the words contained in the anchor text of link(s) in other document(s) that point to the document.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 29, with the following amended paragraph:

Fig. 7 is a flow chart of a method facilitating page indexing in accordance with an aspect of the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 22, with the following amended paragraph:

Turning briefly to Fig. 2, a diagram 200 illustrating the relationship of a target page 210 and referencing page(s) 220 in accordance with an aspect of the present invention is provided. The target page 210 (*e.g.*, uniquely identified by a uniform resource locator (URL)), for example, URL₀, can be referred to by zero, one or a plurality of referencing page(s) 220. Referencing page(s) 220 includes a reference (*e.g.*, hyperlink) to the target page 210 (*e.g.*, URL₀). Additionally, the referencing page(s) 220

can further include reference information (*e.g.*, anchor text) associated with the reference (*e.g.*, hyperlink) to the target page 210. The reference information can include descriptive information associated with the target page 210 that can be useful, for example, in indexing the target page 210.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 30, with the following amended paragraph:

In one example, the download is retried (*e.g.*, several times) over a period of time (*e.g.*, up to about 24 hours). If the download has still not been successful at that point, the URL is placed in a state that will result in it being removed from the system after another time interval (*e.g.*, on the order of 24-48 hours). This will remove dead URLs from the system, while allowing URLs that actually still exist (but were simply inaccessible for 24 hours) to re-enter the system as newly found URLs after they are fully purged from the URL seen file (*e.g.*, 24-48 hours after attempts to download the URL were suspended). Therefore, in this example, while the system 100 permits associated anchor text and metadata to be passed to an index building component in the download failure case, this functionality is not used.